

# *Sacred Heart Catholic Parish*



## **PARISH CHURCHES**

### **Church of the Sacred Heart**

Murwillumbah Street, Murwillumbah

### **Our Lady of Perpetual Succour**

River Street, South Murwillumbah

### **St. Brigid's Church**

Broadway, Burringbar

### **St. Columba's Church**

Convent Lane, Uki

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Mooball Street, Murwillumbah

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### **St. Joseph's Primary School**

Greville Street, South Murwillumbah

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Principal: Mr. Jason Clarke

**18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
- YEAR C  
4 August 2019**

**This week we welcome  
The Most Reverend Gregory Homeming,  
Bishop of Lismore, to our Parish  
as he celebrates the  
SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION.**

## *On true wisdom*

After granddad was diagnosed with cancer, a series of intensive treatments allowed him to enjoy invaluable time with his family. The cancer eventually returned requiring even more care and medication. Unfortunately, over time the disease turned out to be incurable.

Granddad's response to his terminal illness took his family by surprise. He and his wife arranged an overseas trip, not only for themselves, but for the extended family. Two sets of parents and all their children were invited on the holiday. They didn't have to pay for a thing; not the plane flights or the accommodation. It was a very generous act by a man who was living on borrowed time.

Far from building bigger and better barns to safeguard his property, like the rich man in today's gospel (Lk 12), this man and his wife creatively and magnanimously shared what wealth they had with their family. The trip was a great success with many shared adventures and fond memories.

Today's readings offer us rich food for thought on the issue of the importance of wealth and possessions in our lives. The first reading from the book of Ecclesiastes sternly warns us of the "Vanity of Vanities", of a life of toil focussed on private material gain, all to be left behind when one's death comes, as it inevitably will. "Here is one who has laboured with wisdom and knowledge and skill, and yet to another who has not laboured over it, he must leave property."

Today's psalm then speaks of the power of God who has made us, who has saved us and who is our refuge. It reminds us that it is in God that we should place our trust. To place our trust in material wealth, to make this our anchor, is foolhardy. So let us, with the Psalmist, pray to God for the gift of wisdom: "Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart."

The Letter to the Colossians in our second reading reinforces the message. It urges us to set our thoughts and focus our hopes on heavenly things, and to live our lives accordingly. It reminds us of our ultimate destiny: "There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything." We must be single-minded in focussing on what is good and right and set aside distractions that might divert us.

Finally, in today's gospel, Jesus, in his parable about the rich man who builds a barn, foolishly thinking that this will secure his property, his fortune and his future, warns against greed and avarice.

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# THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH 4 - 11 AUGUST

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C</b>	
	8.00am	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church
	10.00am	<u>Mass</u> - St Columba's, Uki
<b>Monday</b>	9.00am	Rosary & Prayers - Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>No afternoon Adoration, Mass or Rosary in Parish today</i>	
	6.00pm	<b>CONFIRMATION</b> - Sacred Heart Parish
<b>Wednesday</b>	4.15pm - 5.15pm	Adoration - Sacred Heart Church
	5.30pm	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP</b>	
	8.30am	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church
	9.15am	Legion of Mary - South Murwillumbah Meeting Room
	1.45pm - 2.45pm	Christian Meditation Group - South Murwillumbah Mtg Room
	3.00pm	Junior Legion of Mary - South Murwillumbah
<b>Friday</b>	10.00am	Communion Service - M'bah Nursing Home - C Dennis
	10.00am	<u>Mass</u> - Heritage Lodge - Fr Anthony
	12.15pm	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church
	2.00 - 3.00pm	Adoration - Sacred Heart Church
<b>Saturday</b>	9.00am	Rosary - Sacred Heart Church
	6:00pm	<b>Vigil Mass</b> - Sacred Heart Church
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C</b>	
	8.00am	<u>Mass</u> - Sacred Heart Church
	10.00am	<u>Mass</u> - OLPS, South Murwillumbah
	12 noon	Baptisms - Sacred Heart Church

<b>19th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - Yr C 10/11 August</b>	<b>Sacred Heart Murwillumbah 6.00pm Saturday</b>	<b>Sacred Heart Murwillumbah 8.00am Sunday</b>	<b>COUNTERS:</b> 04 Aug: J Morgan & L Green 11 Aug: B Brodbeck & C Kerr 18 Aug: G & K Bewes 25 Aug: T & P Zambelli 01 Sept: P & R Marr 08 Sept: C & J Anderson 15 Sept: P & L McMahon
<b>Acolyte</b>	R Daley	T Zambelli	
<b>Altar Servers</b>	O Adams R Trueman	E & T Loughman	
<b>Readers</b>	B Grant (C) R K Mumford R M Mumford P/F	P Callaghan (C) R M Roberts R F Wright P/F	
<b>Ministers of Communion</b>	C Anderson (C) B Brodbeck, C Wightley L Hosking, R Anderson	P & R Marr (C) J Morgan, J Schiller tba	<b>CHURCH CLEANING SANCTUARY &amp; ALTAR</b> <b>Sacred Heart Church:</b> <b>4 August:</b> L Johnson <b>11 &amp; 18 August:</b> C Wightley, Zambelli family, N Gear <b>OLPS Church, Sth M'bah</b> <b>August:</b> T Jandura
<b>Hospitality</b>	—————	B McGrouther & F Berg	
<b>Procession of Gifts</b>	P & L Fox	T Yabsley & S Lemon	
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	No Children's Liturgy	A Lofts	

The Sacred Heart Church 'Prayer Chapel' is open for private prayer on weekdays.

**ROSARY STATUE**  
Dom & Bev Guinea



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MARY MACKILLOP CONFERENCE

meets each Wednesday at Parish Meeting Centre. New members welcome.  
**"Come Grow With Us".**  
Phone: Marie Donaghy 6672 2933

**CONFIRMATION SUPPER**  
Tuesday 6 August  
Parish Hall

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP**  
Thursdays 1.45pm-2.45pm  
South M'bah Meeting Room

## SACRAMENTS

### RECONCILIATION - Sacred Heart:

Saturday : 5.30pm - 5.50pm

Sunday: 7.30am - 7.50am

### BAPTISMS:

Sacred Heart Church - 12.00pm  
2nd and 4th Sundays of each month  
(At least four weeks notice required)

### Baptism Preparation Evening:

7.00pm Parish Administration Centre  
on 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Next Evening - Tuesday 13 August

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Corey Rice, Cecele Devine, Terry Belmont,  
Mary McCarthy, Colin Leslight.



### ANNIVERSARIES:

Terry Andrassy, Vince Kenny, Greg Guinea, Margaret Guinea.

## NOTICE BOARD

### THANK YOU

We thank Fr John Fitz-Walter for looking after our parish during Fr Anthony's recent holidays.

## CALENDAR

### ~ AUGUST ~

- 13 Baptism Preparation Meeting
- 14 9am Mass - Greenhills Lodge
- 14 Parish Men's Group (*see note*)
- 15 **THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** (*Holy Day of Obligation*)
- 15 9.30am Mass - Mt St Patrick College
- 15 12.15pm Mass - Mt St Patrick Primary & St Joseph's Primary Schools
- 18 **20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-YR C**  
10am Mass - St Brigid's, Burringbar
- 19/23 Meals on Wheels Roster 1
- 22 Christmas Carnival Meeting
- 22 Finance Council Meeting
- 25 **21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-YR C**  
**MIGRANT & REFUGEE SUNDAY**  
10am Mass - OLPS, South Murwillumbah  
Baptisms - 12 noon - Sacred Heart
- 28 Wedding: Claire Simpson & Gian Capati  
- St Columba's Church, Uki

### STATE SCHOOLS MASS

Last Tuesday morning, 30 July, Mass was celebrated in the Sacred Heart Church with children from our State Schools, their Catechists & helpers, parents, grandparents & families. What a wonderful celebration.

This year's theme for the Mass was 'We Share God's Love With Others'. The children sent some of their morning tea with the people at Friday's 'You Have a Friend'.

Many thanks to our catechists for preparing this special Mass, and please keep them, and the children in your prayers.

### Readings next week: (Yr C)

**19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - C**

**Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19;**

**Lk 12:32-48**

**Rosary & Prayers** for God's Precious Infants and the Unborn Child - Monday 5 August at 9.00am Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church, South Murwillumbah. Pregnancy Help Line: 1300 139 313

### PARISH MEN'S GROUP

The next meeting of the Parish Men's Group for a Cuppa/morning tea will be on

**Wednesday 14 August - 10am - RSL Club, Murwillumbah**

**ALL MEN ARE WELCOME!**

## PLENARY COUNCIL SNAPSHOTS

As we move into this second stage of the Plenary Council journey, we continue to seek the wisdom of the Holy Spirit. Beginning in July 2019, we are invited to reflect on Scripture, Church teaching and our contemporary situation in order to discern the answer to this question:

### SNAPSHOT REPORT 2

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is:

#### **INCLUSIVE, PARTICIPATORY AND SYNODAL**

"Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common.

With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all." (Acts 4:32-33)

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a desire for individuals and groups within and also beyond the Church to find a better welcome and be incorporated more into her life and mission.

There was a call to renew forms of governance and leadership in the Church, to find ways formally and informally of being co-responsible for ministry and mission, seeking structures and processes of collaboration, shared decision-making and financial co-responsibility in order to enable this greater involvement of lay people particularly of women, young people, people of diverse cultural backgrounds and people with disabilities.

There was an expressed need for stronger connections across the many parts of the Church, and with other Christian traditions.

For further information visit:

[www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

**18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C  
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: (89)**

**R:** In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs. Alleluia!

**THE ASSUMPTION OF  
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

**Thursday 15th August**

**9.30am** Mass with Mt St Patrick College  
- Sacred Heart Church

**12.15pm** Mass with Mt St Patrick Primary School  
& St Joseph's Primary School  
- Sacred Heart Church

**5.30pm** Mass - Sacred Heart Church

**KINGSCLIFF PARISH**

7.30am & 9am - St Anthony's, Kingscliff

9.15am at Sts. Mary & Ambrose, Pottsville

**TWEED HEADS PARISH**

6pm Vigil - St Joseph's Church (*Wednesday 14th*)

12.30pm - St Joseph's Church, Tweed Heads

**Holy Days of Obligation for Australis**

are 15th August (Assumption) and 25th December (Christmas). A Holy Day is simply a solemnity celebrated like a Sunday, that is, with obligation.

**SOLOMON ISLAND NEWS...**

Jackson Meke is the Principal of Bishop Epalle Catholic School in the Solomon Islands. Jackson has accompanied students from the Solomon Islands to be hosted at Mt St Patrick College during the past 10 years.

Jackson has a serious heart condition that requires surgery that cannot be provided in his home country, Solomon Islands.

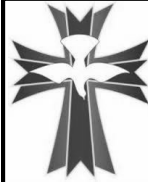
A Go Fund Me page has been set up. Any small donation is appreciated.

<http://www.gofundme.com/f/help-jackson-get-his-heart-surgery>

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Jesus is not demanding we go without those goods that are necessary for our needs, but he urges us not to place our trust in worldly riches, but in God. Instead of focussing on acquiring what is excessive to our needs, let us be generous in helping those less fortunate than ourselves.

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**CONFIRMATION**

This Tuesday evening 6 August, at 6pm, Bishop Gregory Homeming will celebrate the **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** in the Sacred Heart Church.

Confirmation will be followed by a light supper in the Parish Hall. All welcome to attend.

Please keep these children, and their families, in your prayers.

**PRAYER FOR**

**CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**

Heavenly Father, God of power and of love.

We pray for the children who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

May your Holy Spirit help them to grow in faith, hope and love and may they come to know

you as the one true God

who loves them without limit.

May their hearts welcome you gladly;

May their ears hear your voice in the scriptures;

May their eyes see you in all things;

And may they proclaim your glory as they walk in the ways of Jesus Christ,

our Lord and Saviour.

Amen.

**St. Mary Of The Cross**

**Solemnity - Thursday 8th August**

God of all blessings,

you revealed in Mary MacKillop a sensitivity to the rights and dignity of every person,

regardless of race or creed.

May we learn from her to overcome the obstacles of prejudice and fear.

Help us to value the goodness of each person and all the blessings of unity in diversity.

We ask this through the depth and unity of you, our bountiful God,

who holds all things in being.

Amen.



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